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In re Application of:
Ramesh Gupta et al

) Before the Examiner
) Basia Anna Ridley

U. S. Serial No. 09/712,654

) Confirmation Number: 4644

Filed: November 14, 2000

) Group Art Unit: 1764

A METHOD FOR EXTENDING OPERATING
LIFE OF A FIXED BED REACTOR

) Family Number: P1999J032-US2

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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In response to the Office Action of December 17, 2002, in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants provide the following and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the application.

AMENDMENT

In The Claims:

9. (thrice amended) A method for [extending the] operating [life of] a fixed bed reactor having an operating life for reacting a feedstock said fixed bed reactor comprising a

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Transmittal herewith is an amendment/response in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made, if and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ _____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any changes in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest Number Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7)
Total Claims	* 11	Minus	** 20	0	x 18.00	0
Indep. Claims	* 2	Minus	*** 3		x 84.00	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					\$280.00	0
FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES						0

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The total fee for this Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.

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